to Questions

Abattoirs

2462. SHRI S.P. JAISWAL: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state :

- (a) whether the Central Government provide grants for setting up abattoirs; and
- (b) if so, the amount of grant provided to each State during last three years, year-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (PROF. SAIFUDDIN SOZ): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. A statement giving details of the amount of grants privided by the Ministry of agriculture (Department of Animal Husbandry and Dairying), for setting up of abattoirs, to various States, during the last three years, is as under:

(Rupees in lakhs)

Name	of State	1993-94	1994-95	1995-96
1.	Andhra Pradesh	65.00	-	230.00
2.	Assam	42.60	-	-
3.	Himachal Prades	h -	40.75	
4.	Kerala	45.00	79.80	40.75
5.	Madhya Pradesh	•	148.00	-
6.	Maharashtra	-	148.01	
7.	Punjab	-	-	19.52
8.	Sikkim	22.24	-	-
9.	Tamil Nadu	98.00	-	-
10.	Tripura	46.00	-	-
11.	Uttar Pradesh	81.01	78.75	335.48

[English]

Dal and Walar Lake

2463. SHRI MUKHTAR ANIS: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state :

- (a) whether any scheme for dredging and restoring the Dal Lake and Walar Lake in Jammu and Kashmir is under implementation;
- (b) the objective of the scheme in terms of the area and depth of the lakes and purity of their water;
- (c) if so, the total cost of the scheme and the quantum of Central assistance for the scheme; and
- (d) the amount spent and the Central funds released so far for the purpose?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (PROF. SAIFUDDIN SOZ): (a) and (b) Government of Jammu & Kashmir is implementing a scheme for restoration of Wular lake with 100% Central assistance. Dal lake has been

proposed for restoration under National Lake Conservation Plan. The area of restoration of Wular Lake is 3232.5 hactares. The area for dredging and restoration of Dal Lake is 1500 Hactares.

(c) and (d) Central assistance provided for Wular Lake is Rs. 46.28 lakhs. The estimated cost for restoration of Dal lake is Rs. 334.00 crores. The cost will be shared on 50:50 basis between the Central Government and the State Government.

[Translation]

Illegal Guest Houses

2464. SHRI JAYSINH CHAUHAN: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

- (a) the number of unathorised guest houses and hotels operating in Delhi till February; 1997;
 - (b) if so, the number of the pending cases; and
 - (c) the number of cases disposed of?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MOHD, MAQBOOL, DAR): (a) to (c) There were, as of February, 1997, 407 hotels/guest houses operating unauthorisedly in the National Capital Territory of Delhi, out of which the legal action is pending at various stages against 404 establishments and the remaining three have since been closed down.

[English]

Agricultural Production in N.E. States

2465. SHRI VIJAY PATEL: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

- (a) whether there is an improvement in the agricultural production in North-Eastern States during the last three years;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise and cropwise: and
 - (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (EXCLUDING THE DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING) (SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA): (a) to (c) The production of various major crops grown in the North Eastern States comprising Arunachal Pradesh, Assam, Manipur, Meghalaya, Mizoram, Nagaland and Tripura during the last three years has been fluctuating depending upon rainfall and weather and other agroclimatic conditions.

A statement giving the production of foodgrain crops, jute/mesta, sugarcane, ginger and oilseeds for 1993-94; 1994-95 and 1995-96 and fruits and vegetables for 1991-92, 1992-93 and 1993-94 (latest available) in North Eastern States is enclosed.

Statement

('000 Bales of 180 Kgs.)

'	roduction of Various	orops in i	ionin-Lasie	II Olales		States	1993-94	1994-95	1995-96
			('00	7 Tonnes)	6.	JUTE AND MESTA			***************************************
	States	1993-94	1994-95	1995-96		Arunachal Pradesh	*	•	
1.	RICE					Assam	702.3	950.9	870.8
	Arunachal Pradesh	144.0	105.8	140.0		Manipur	*	*	*
	Assam	3361.1	3309.1	3390.0		Meghalaya	55.3	56.6	50.7
	Manipur	348.8	478.3	338.1		Mizoram	•	*	*
	Meghalaya	117.8	111.5	118.9		Nagaland	2.4	2.5	2.5
	Mizoram	96.7	100.2	101.5		Tripura	38.8	43.1	30.7
	Nagaland	180.0	174.0	185.0	7.	SUGARCANE			
	Tripura	493.2	413.9	465.5	• •	Arunachal Pradesh		*	•
2.	·				Assam	1373.9	1505.0	1490.3	
	WHEAT		7.0			Manipur	58.8	41.2	41.2
	Arunachal Pradesh	8.5		7.0 0.3		2.3	2.1	2.1	
	Assam	100.8	103.6	95.1 *		Mizoram	5.7	7.6	8.5
	Manipur					Nagaland	193.4	125.0	120.0
	Meghalaya	6.6	6.4	6.4		Tripura	72.2	74.3	75.0
	Mizoram					·	12.2	74.3	75.0
	Nagaland	1.0	0.6	1.5	8.	GINGER			
	Tripura	7.8	4.9	5.2		Arunachal Pradesh	16.5	16.9	18.0
3.	COARSE CEREALS	3				Assam	*	*	*
	Arunachal Pradesh	74.2	74.2	75.2		Manipur	1.4	1.3	1.3
	Assam	16.1	17.1	19.0		Meghalaya	41.8	43.3	44.7
	Manipur	7.8 10.4 7.1 Mizoram 22.5 22.7 23.0 Nagaland			7.9	8.7	14.6		
	Meghalaya			Nagaland	*	4.3	4.5		
	Mizoram	14.2	14.7	15.1	Tripura		1.9	1.8	1.8
	Nagaland	37.0	37.0	39.5	9.	OILSEEDS			
	Tripura	1.6	1.8	1.8		Arunachal Pradesh	25.2	23.5	26.6
ı.	PULSES					Assam	144.7	163.7	157.7
	Arunachal Pradesh	5.3	5.6	6.5		Manipur	1.9	1.7	1.7
	Assam	57.0	59.4	57.1		Meghalaya	5.6	5.8	5.8
	Manipur	*	*	•		Mizoram	7.6	7.6	7.0
	Meghalaya	2.5	2.4	2.4		Nagaland	19.7	14.0	15.5
	Mizoram	9.8	9.9	6.1		Tripura	11.1	9.7	8.5
	Nagaland	10.0	7.9	12.3	40	·			
	Tripura	6.5	5.8	4.6	10.	FRUITS Arunachal Pradesh	47.0	40.0	50.0
	·						47.3	49.3	50.3
5.	FOODGRAINS			200.0		Assam	886.4	1103.0	1166.4
	Arunachal Pradesh	232.0	193.2	230.2		Manipur	43.0	100.0	110.0
	Assam	353 5 .0	3489.2	3561.2		Meghalaya	218.1	232.0	236.5
	Manipur	356.6	488.7	345.2		Mizoram	34.8	43.7	43.7
	Meghalaya	149.4	143.0	150.7		Nagaland	9.2	9.2	36.0
	Mizoram	120.7	124.8	122.7		Tripura	319.1	325.6	325.6
	Nagaland	228.0	219.5	238.3	11.	VEGETABLES			
	Tripura	509.1	426.4	477.1		Arunachal Pradesh	79.9	79.9	80.1

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States	1993-94	1994-95	1995-96
Assam	2132.3	1754.4	1931.9
Manipur	50.3	36.5	33.0
Meghalaya	219.2	237.8	238.1
Mizoram	31.8	70.1	45.1
Nagaland	66.9	66.9	107.6
Tripura	306.9	320.9	320.9

Written Answers

* Production Negligible

Development of Coconut

2466. SHRI S. AJAY KUMAR: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

- (a) whether the Commission for Agriculture Costs and Prices has made some recommendations for the development of coconut cultivation;
 - (b) if so, details of main recommendations; and
 - (c) the response of the Union Government thereto?

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (EXCLUDING THE DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING) (SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA): (a) and (b) The Commission for Agricultural Costs and Prices (CACP) has not given any specific recommendation for the development/improvement of coconut cultivation as such. However, it has made the following non-price recommendations which may help improve the cultivation of coconut :-

- (i) The public agencies like KERAFED be authorised to also undertake commercial purchases of copra at an adequate scale;
- (ii) in the case of 'Milling' Copra in Kerala, the period for the purpose of price support operations and open market purchases by the public agencies be specified as January to June when prices of copra generally remain depressed;
- (iii) (a) in area where primary cooperatives are not undertaking the marketing of coconut/ copra on an adequate scale, coconut growers cooperatives be formed;
 - (b) efforts be stepped up to equip coconut/ copra marketing cooperatives with adequate drying and storage facilities;
- (iv) the methodologies being adopted by different coconut growing States for estimation of area and production be re-examined with a view to arriving at the reliable estimates; and
- (v) expeditious steps be taken to generate the estimates of cost of production of coconut producing States and make these available to the commission

NCCF Supply to Government Organisations

2467. SHRI I.D. SWAMI:

SHRI JAI PRAKASH (Hardoi):

Will the Minister of CIVIL SUPPLIES, CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state :

- (a) whether the National Coperative Consumers Federation of India Limited (NCCF) has been supplying various items to the Government Organisations at much higher rates than the wholesale rates and not indicating the brand names and full specifications of these items on the invoice raised to the purchaser;
- (b) if so, the number of such cases that have come to light during the last one year;
- (c) whether the action has been taken by the Government thereupon;
 - (d) if so, the details thereof; and
 - (e) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF FOOD AND MINISTER OF CIVIL SUPPLIES, CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI DEVENDRA PRASAD YADAV) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) to (e) Do not arise.

Excesses by Police on Republic Day

2468. SHRI SRIBALLAV PANIGRAHI: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

- (a) whether the Government are aware that during the 48th Republic Day celebrations on 26 January, 1997, the police baton charged the viewers at Raj Path especially in the general enclosures near the India Gate;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the police snatched cigarette packets and pens from the viewers; and
 - (d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MOHD. MAQBOOL DAR): (a) and (b) Delhi Police did not use any force against the viewers on 26th January, 1997 either at Rajpath or any other enclosure.

(c) and (d) No, Sir. However, match-boxes and lighters were not allowed inside the enclosures for the reasons of general security.